

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT BYU BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK: SR SURVEYS THE CAMPUS

AS PART OF THE REVIEW'S FOCUS ON BYU AND BYU STUDENTS THIS WEEK, WE DECIDED TO SURVEY THE CAMPUS TO MEASURE THE ATTITUDES, ACTIONS AND OPINIONS OF BYU STUDENTS. SO, SR SURVEYED 100 STUDENTS ON CAMPUS BY STATIONING OUR SURVEYORS NEXT TO THE SWKT, JSB, HBL, SFLC, IKHB, AARB AND THE ESC AND RANDOMLY SELECTED VERY TENTH STUDENT THAT PASSED BY. LISTED BELOW ARE SOME OF THE QUESTIONS WE ASKED AND THE PERCENTAGES WE CAME UP WITH.

DEMOGRAPHIC

What year are you in your schooling?

1st	30%
2nd	17%
3rd	25%
4th	19%
5th	8%

What is your yearly income? (Include all rents, loans, scholarships, gifts and job revenues.)

0—\$5,000	51%
\$5,001—\$7,500	26%
\$7,501—\$10,000	10%
\$10,001—\$12,500	3%
\$12,501—\$15,000	2%
15,001 and up	5%

What percentage of your income do you spend in Utah County?

1—20%	5%
21—40%	6%
41—60%	9%
61—80%	30%
80—100%	50%

RELIGION

Which type of church do you most frequently attend?

Mormon	98%
Catholic	0%
Protestant	1%
Other	1%

Do you feel the Church of Jesus of Latter-day Saints is the only true church?

Unsure	4%
Yes	90%
No	6%

How many times a week do you read scriptures your religion considers sacred?

one	8%
two	11%
three	11%
four	10%
five	14%
more than five times	33%
read less than once a week	9%

EDUCATION

How would you rate your education at BYU?

excellent	40%
poor	3%
fair	4%
good	28%
average	14%
outstanding	11%

On the whole, how would you rate your professors?

very unqualified	9%
somewhat qualified	13%
unqualified	14%
very qualified	24%
somewhat unqualified	6%
qualified	44%

What is your main reason in pursuing a university education?

to make more money	30%
to learn	64%
social life	3%
to leave home	3%

How many hours a week do you study for all your classes?

5	4%
6-10	23%
11-15	27%
16-20	24%
more than 20	21%

Do you feel you can discuss controversial topics in your classes without being considered strange by your classmates?

Yes	40%
Unsure	24%
No	35%

Do you think your professors genuinely care about you?

Unsure	30%
No	12%
Yes	58%

If you felt that a professor taught information that contradicted teachings of the LDS Church, would you report that professor to his/her department chair?

No	50%
Yes	14%
Unsure	36%

If you caught someone cheating, would you report that person to Standards?

Unsure	29%
No	60%
Yes	11%

Do you feel BYU's religion requirements are too stringent?

Yes	24%
Unsure	9%
No	67%

Do you feel that religion classes should be graded the same as other university classes?

No	47%
Yes	38%
Unsure	14%

Do you feel that academic freedom exists at BYU for both professors and students?

Yes	68%
Unsure	18%
No	14%

How would you describe the academic atmosphere at BYU?

very closed	6%
somewhat open	32%
closed	6%
very open	7%
somewhat closed	22%
open	28%

SOCIAL LIFE

On average, how many times a month do you date? (A date is defined as an appointment at a set time for a social engagement with a person of the opposite sex.)

2 or less	31%
4 times	20%
6 times	12%
8 times	9%
10 or more	13%
I rarely date	13%

Why do you date?

for fun	69%
to get married	19%
social pressure	1%
Church duty	0%
other	11%

Would you feel comfortable dating people of a different race?

No	21%
Unsure	21%
Yes	58%

Would you date a person of a different religion?

Unsure	18%
Yes	59%
No	23%

After being accepted by BYU as a student, have you ever broken the code governing physical intimacy as established by BYU?

Yes	24%
No	67%
Unsure	8%

After being accepted by BYU as a student, have you ever come close to breaking the code governing physical intimacy as established by BYU?

No	40%
Unsure	20%
Yes	40%

After being accepted by BYU as a student, have you ever drank alcohol, smoked tobacco or used illegal drugs?

Unsure	1%
No	88%
Yes	11%

What is the word that most closely defines your sexual orientation?

gay	5%
straight	95%
lesbian	0%

Do you know any gay men or lesbian women who are attending or have attended BYU?

Yes	22%
Unsure	6%
No	72%

POLITICAL

What political party do you identify with?

Democrat	15%
Republican	70%
Other	15%

Do you consider yourself politically aware of national and world events?

Yes	77%
No	22%
Unsure	1%

Do you support President Bush?

No	13%
Unsure	8%
Yes	84%

Do you think going to war with Iraq was the correct thing to do?

Unsure	4%
No	7%
Yes	89%

Do you think anti-war protesters have the right to demonstrate their opposition to the war?

Yes	89%
Unsure	9%
No	2%

Do you think anti-war protesters should place a peace booth on BYU campus?

No	38%
Yes	49%
Unsure	13%

How does BYU compare?	Number of Students	Percent minorities	Average undergrad age	Percent in ten percent
BYU	27,973	3%	22.5	35%
Harvard	6,587	20%	20	95%
UCLA	21,997	40%	21	not availa
U of NC Chapel Hill	14,208	8%	not available	81%
U of Texas Austin	41,859	24%	21	60%
Arizona State University	32,606	15%	22	23%
Michigan State	34,829	8%	21	31%
Purdue	29,674	10%	21	59%

¹of high school graduating class

²of total applicants

